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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Applicant: Shunsuke SHUTO, et al.
Application Number: 09/990,075
Filing Date: November 21, 2001
Title: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING
HOMEOTROPIC ALIGNMENT
LIQUID CRYSTAL FILM,
HOMEOTROPIC ALIGNMENT
LIQUID CRYSTALLINE
COMPOSITION AND
HOMEOTROPIC ALIGNMENT
LIQUID CRYSTAL FILM
Examiner Name: Erik J. Kielin
Group Art Unit: 2813

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(X) Previously submitted:

(X) Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on February 9, 2004.

(X) Enclosed:

(X) Response to Advisory Action in four (4) pages.

(X) Return Postcard

2. Fees:

(X) RCE fee \$770 large entity

(X) Extension of Time fee:

(X) Two Month (\$420)

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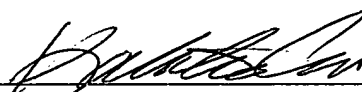
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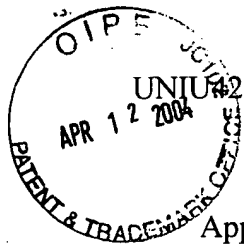
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RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Advisory Action March 3, 2004. The request for continuing examination (RCE) has been filed in the above-identified application.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.